



DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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County Executive

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Dear Resident/Community Leader:

The Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is in the early stages of evaluating opportunities to restore a portion of the tributary to Rock Creek that parallels Derby Ridge Road within your community (See Location Map on back of this letter).

The tributary is being evaluated to determine the causes of instability and degraded habitat found in this reach. The County's stream restoration program uses a variety of techniques to stabilize and reforest streambanks, reestablish aquatic ecosystems and habitat for fish and aquatic life, and prevent erosion and sediment pollution of streams and watersheds.

These improvements are part of the County's ongoing commitment to restore water quality in Rock Creek, a tributary to the Potomac River that flows to the Chesapeake Bay. For more information, please visit your project webpage at www.montgomerycountymd.gov/watershedrestoration, and click on Stream Restoration.

We have assembled a Watershed Restoration Consultant Team for this project. There will be future opportunities for you to meet this team and for your participation in this process. Please direct all questions and correspondence to the following Watershed Restoration Consultant Team representative:

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Project Reference: Task Order WRE 12-36, Derby Ridge Stream Restoration

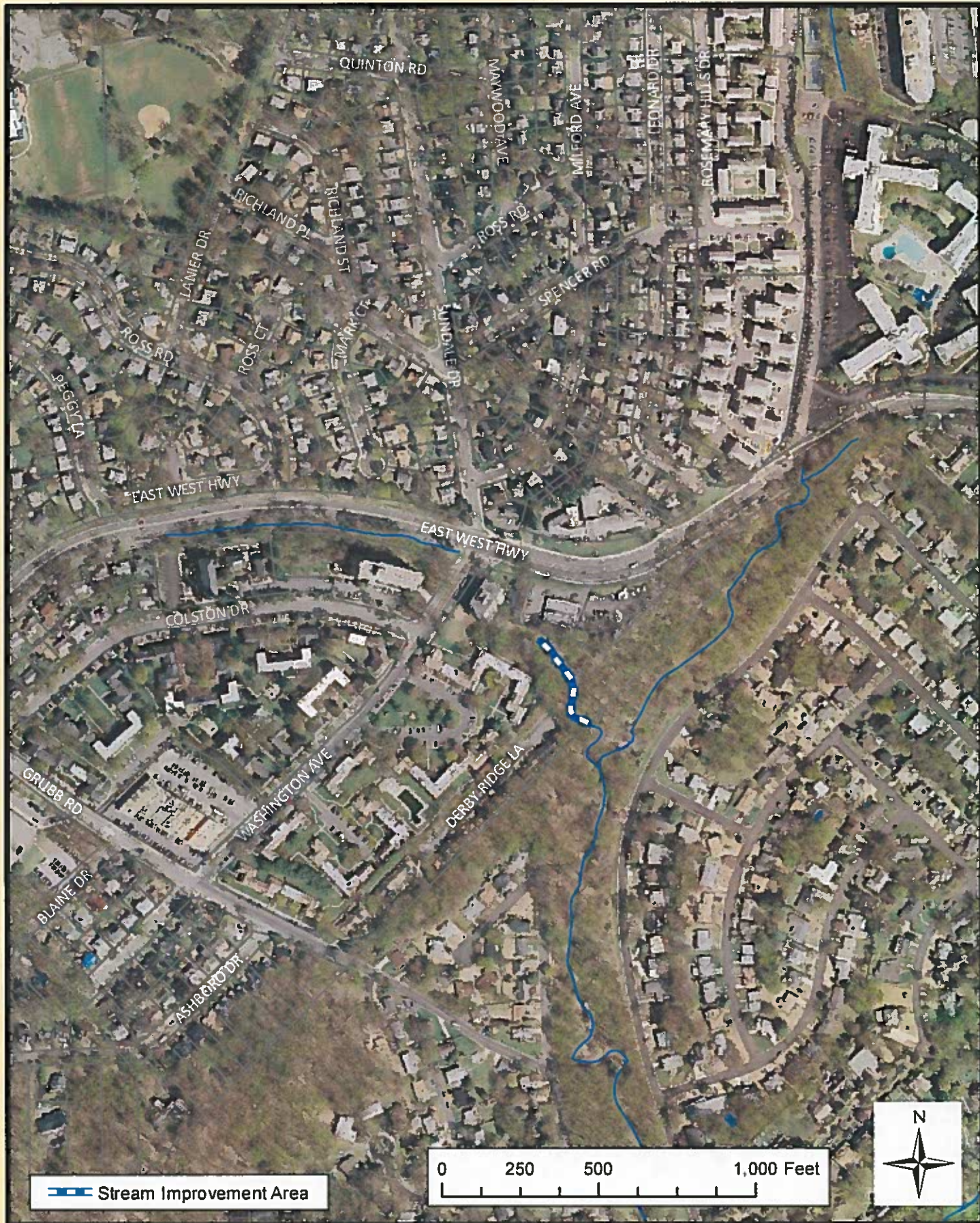
Additionally, as part of our Watershed Restoration Team, Greenman Pedersen, Inc. (GPI) was selected by DEP to assist in developing engineering design plans for this project. In the coming months, GPI and/or their subcontractors will be performing various activities such as utility locating, surveying, soil borings and tree inventories surrounding the stream to assist in the design process. Once GPI develops their preliminary designs, DEP will schedule a public meeting to present information on current stream conditions and future stream restoration opportunities.

We look forward to your participation in this opportunity to improve the stream habitat and water quality in your community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Craig Carson".

Craig Carson, Manager
DEP Watershed Restoration Program



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Derby Ridge
Stream Restoration Improvements